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A MEMORIAL

OF THE LATE AND PRESENT

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heads, in a disadvantage to themselves.

Published to refresh the Memories of all undepraved Englishmen, and
thereby prevent the Ruine of this Nation, by disbelieving, or
forgetting of them.

First, The Burning of the City of London, in the Year 1666, by which the Pa-
pists (by Plunder in the time of the Fire) got 130000 l. declaro, which
they brought into their Treasury, for carrying on of their Satanical De-
signs; the Truth of which is proved by that most worthy and deserving
person Dr. Titus Oates, to whom, and to Sir William Waller, next under God, and our
King, we owe our Deliverance.

Secondly, The Burning of Southwark, by which the Papists got, in the same way as be-
fore, 30000 l. to bring into their Treasury; as is also proved by Dr. Oates, whose Evi-
dence stands authentick and un-impeached, manie the Attempts of the wicked Church
of Rome, and their Adherents, for the invalidating of it.

Thirdly, The Burning of St. Katherine by the Papists, is proved by that Faithful Ser-
vant to his King and Countrey, Capt. Bedloe; and all these are perpetrated by them, as
previous; and in order to their Grand and Hellish Conspiracy.

Fourthly, The Murder of the King, the Introducing of Popery, and Arbitrary Go-
vernment; and consequently the Massacring of (at least) the Chief and Heads of the
Protestants; without which, they could not promise to themselves the effecting of their
Design: And the Truth of this hath been sufficiently made out at the several Trials of
the several persons that have been Executed for the same; and with so much Demonstrati-
on of the Truth hereof to his Majesty, that he hath, First, Owned his Belief of it; by
several Proclamations, giving the Plot the true Epithetes of Hellish and Damnable; and
Secondly, By his appointing throughout the Land a Day of Humiliation in Fasting and
Praying, upon the Occasion of the Discovery hereof; all which may well lay an Obliga-
tion of Duty upon all good Subjects, not to question the Truth of his Proclamations,
which are also seconded by the Judgment of two several Parliaments, who after Hearing
of Witnesses, Voted their full satisfaction of the Truth of these Infernal Popish Plots;
And however Parliaments may be mistaken in other things, those that know the Method

of Parliamentary Proceedings, must hold it almost morally impossible for them, to fail in Matter of Fact, because being composed of persons of several Humors, Affections and Judgments, a Vote for Matter of Fact cannot pass, untill every one hath received a clear Answer and Satisfaction unto his Objections. And I never heard that there was so much as one Negative to the Truth of this not to be parallell'd grand Plot; and therefore upon the whole, the Verity of it ought not to be doubted, or called in question. And now,

The Wayes which have been used by the Papists, to stifle the Credit of these Discoveries, and to bring the Truth of them into Question, are fit to be remembred; being as followeth.

First, By Barbarously Murdering of Sir *Edmondbury Godfrey*, because; he having taken the Examinations concerning the Plot, which they knew he carried about with him, they might seize them (as they did) and so as they presumed, put a Disbelief upon the Plot; but God in his Mercy preserving the chief Witnesses (who they intended to have sent after Sir *Edmond*.) hath turned the Murder of this Gentleman upon their own heads, in a Disadvantage to themselves.

Secondly, By endeavouring to bring Mr. *Prance* to deny the Truth of what he had confessed upon Oath, concerning the Murder of the said Sir *Edmond*.

Thirdly, By employing one *Reading* a Barrister at Law, to suborn Capt. *Bello*, to deny the Truth of what he had upon Oath confessed; of which subornation of Perjury, the said *Reading* was found guilty in the Court of *Kings-Bench*, and for his Crime therein, Condemned in the penalty of 1000*l.* to lie in prison a year; and after that, until he pays his Fine, and to stand in the Pillory (as he hath done) before *Westminster-Hall*; and at his Trial, it appeared that the Lords in the Tower, committed for the Grand Plot, did employ him, promising both him and Capt. *Bello* great Rewards; but his Years of Imprisonment being now expired, or near upon, his Fine, as is hoped by his Relations, will be remitted, and he set at liberty; which I mention to the end to Caution all men to take heed of him, and let his vile and vexatious Carriage to the Countrey-People in the Northern Level be a Warning to them.

Fourthly, By Suborning, *Knox*, *Lane*, and *Osburn*, to Invalidate the Testimony of Dr. *Oates*, by Indicting him of most Inormous Crimes, for which the two first (the third being run away) were found Guilty, in the Court of *Kings Bench* of Subornation of Perjury, Condemned in several Fines, to lie a Year in Prison after that, untill they pay their Fines, and *Lane*, to stand in the Pillory. *Knox* was Servant to the Lord *Latimore*, and *Dunblain*, or to one of them, both Sons to *Thomas Osburn* Earl of *Darby*, &c.

Fifthly, By Implying Mr. *Taisbragh*, (then Servant to a Person of Quality) and one Mrs. *Price*, to Suborn Mr. *Dugdale*, to Recant and Deny the Evidence he had given upon Oath against the Lords *Stafford*, and *Aston*, for Conspiring the death of his Majesty, with promises of great reward for so doing, of which Subornation of Perjury, they are found Guilty in the Court of *Kings Bench*, and are this Term to receive their Sentence, which is hoped, will be adequate to the odiousness of their Crimes, for if this trade of Subornation be suffered to go on, no man can be safe, Innocency being no defence.

Sixthly, By Implying Mr. *Dangerfield* and Mrs. *Cellier*, to kill my Lord *Shaftsbury*, and make the Meal Tub Plot, with designs most Wickedly, and Unjustly, to Father it upon the Protestants, to the end, to render them (though Innocent) as Vile and Detestable as themselves, who cannot be paralleled by any on this side Hell, except the by some of their own Church, for which the Countess of *Powis*, Mrs. *Cellier*, and Mr. *Gadbury*, were all Committed to several Prisons for *High-Treason*; and this Plot appears to have been hatched

in the Tower, and carryed on by the Lords there, according to (their chief Agent in the business) Mr. *Dangerfields* Narrative, for the Impeached Lords, having liberty to come to one another, and to have whom they please come to them, they do little beside Contriving one Plot after another.

Seventhly, the attempting the Murther of Mr. *Mowbray*, a chief Witness against Sr. *Thomas Gascoine*, and the rest of the Consult in the North, for Killing of the King (though the Parties are not discovered) may reasonably be reckoned to proceed from the same Fountain as the rest.

Eightly, The Witnesses brought from St. *Omers*, who by the Confession of some of themselves, were (in giving their Evidence) to follow the Directions they should receive here, from the *Papists* who sent for them, and lodged them in the forementioned Mrs. *Celliers* House, had all of them the ill luck to be detected in Court of great Forgery, at the Tryal of their Friends, the Priests and Jesuits.

Ninthly, The endeavours of Mr. *Jennisons* Friends to bring him to deny what he hath discovered Concerning the *Popish Plot*, appears by the several Letters Writ to him by his Brother the Jesuit, and others, which are recited in Mr. *Jennisons* Narrative.

Tenthly, Their present Conspiracy for Massacring, and (to enrich themselves) Plundering the City of *London*, is the Master Piece of their Father the Devil ; but yet wherein they Glory most God is above them, and though they will not see, he will make them see, and be ashamed of their Malice and Hatred against his People.

Their drawing in a few Ignorant, Debauched Apprentices to colour their Mischievous Devices, shew more the Malice and Hatred of their Hearts, than strength of their Brains, for though there may be some leud Fellows amongst them, there cannot be enough to do their abominable drugery, they being in the general of sober education, and as we at least haters of their damnable Intentions, and their Policy in giving their present Contrivance the name of the Apprentices Plot, is easily seen through hope, For.

First, They do it, to keep the odium of it off themselves, and according to their usual Practice, to thrust it upon the *Protestants*; as had the *Gunpowder-Plot* taken effect, they were in those days, provided of St. *Omer*-like Witnesses, to have proved that they did it in their own defence, to prevent a Massacre of them, which was intended by the *Protestants*; as also the *Papists* at this day are so Impudent, that I have heard some of them affirm, that the Massacre in *Ireland*, was a Massacre of them by the *Protestants*, and not of the *Protestants* by the *Papists*, and surely never any Heathens, or Infidels, made Lies their Refuge like to the *Papists*.

Secondly, knowing that Popery cannot be brought into *England*, where the light of the Gospel shines so clear, without Arbitrary Government, and that cannot be introduced without ruining of the City, they call the Plot after the Name of the Apprentices, to this end, that when they have destroyed the King, they may make the Government of the City, not being able to keep the Citizens in peace, a pretence for taking away the Charter of it, and thence to rule it for the future by a Governor, with a Garrison, after their own will and pleasure, which would be a more effectual way for destroying of *London*, than the burning of it; for the loss by Fire, may be recovered by Trade, but the loss of Trade, by the loss of Liberty is irreparable, and this Plot, like the rest, appears by examination, to have been forged in the Tower, and carried on by the Lords that are Prisoners in it.

Eleventhly, The *Papists* late, most inhumane, brutish, and worse than Beastly usage of Mr. *Arnold*, in the many wounds they most cruelly and maliciously gave him; beside Butcher-like cutting of his Throat with a Knife, after they had by men employed to that purpose, knocked him down in a by Lane, at 10 a Clock at Night, to prevent his Information the next Day against them, is another demonstration of their murtherous and bloody Principles; and the miraculous escape and recovery of this Gentleman, ought to be reckoned with the rest of the merciful Providences of God towards us, and as an earnest of his special protection, and that he who hath delivered us, will still deliver us, as also a warning to us, to have a watchful Eye upon the *Papists*, whose Mercies are Cruelties.

The Burning of the Temple, the several Fires in *London*, the design Three or Four years agoe for burning the Market Towns in *Hartfordshire*; *Durante* endeavouring subornation of perjury against Sr. *Rob. Payton*, I omit it, as not being so Authentickly proved as the rest, though under violent presumption, that they all derive their Original from one and the same Fountain, the whirling insignificant *Castlemain*, and the rest of the *Papists*.

Secondly, That the assaulting the fidelity of the Kings Evidence with temptations of great rewards (which they rejected) is a full proof; First, of the integrity of the Evidence. Secondly, that the Papists know nothing to invalid their Testimony by; otherwise, they would not have had recourse to the dishonourable way of Bribery. And thirdly, That the Reproaches the Papists endeavour to cast upon them, are not to be believed, proceeding from malicious and implacable Enemies, destitute of all Honour or Honesty, whose slanderous practises are but according to the Doctrine of their Church towards any that oppose them.

Thirdly, That the Papists Industry in endeavouring unjustly to Father one Plot after another upon the Protestants, wherein they have still been detected, is a sufficient Testimony of the Innocency and Loyalty of the Protestants, and of the Sordid, Devilish and Inhumane Designs of the Papists.

And Fourthly, If after His Majesties Proclamations, declaring the Damnableness of the Popish Plots, His appointing upon the occasion of them, a Day of Fasting and Praying, and two severall Parliaments agreeing with the King in Voting the same, any shall dare to Question the Truth of them, they ought, and may with great reason, be judged private, if they are not publick professed Papists, or men void of Common Sense and Reason.

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